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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

U.S. PATENT(S):

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Date of Issue</u>
4,422,498	Chen	Dec 27, 1983
4,630,498	Santi	Dec 23, 1986
5,160,824	Babel	Nov 03, 1992
5,657,679	Hronas et al.	Aug 19, 1997
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**FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT(S) :**

<b><u>Country</u></b>	<b><u>No.</u></b>	<b><u>Date of Publication</u></b>
Germany	199 58 146	Jun 07, 2001
Germany	100 01 523	Jun 28, 2001

The references listed above were cited by the International Examiner in the Search Report (copy enclosed) of Applicant's counterpart international patent application no. PCT/EP02/08902 (MPEP §2001.06(a)).

**OTHER FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENT(S) :**

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Germany	100 10 028	Sep 06, 2001
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The references listed above were cited by the German Examiner in Applicant's counterpart German patent application 101 40 253.8 (MPEP §2001.06(a)).

English language abstracts are attached to the enclosed copies of DE 199 58 146, DE 100 01 523 and DE 100 10 028. No abstract is available for DE 30 26 685.

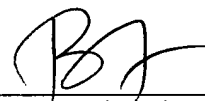
Copies of the above-listed foreign references are enclosed, together with a completed form PTO-1449.

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Consideration of these references by the Examiner is respectfully requested.

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